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LOOKING FOR YOUR LOST PET?

County Animal Services Launches Enhanced Web Site To Reunite Lost Pets With Owners

WHAT: Losing a pet can be heartbreaking, but now the County has designed a way for you to find your long-lost friend and also look at animals awaiting adoption. The new San Diego County Department of Animal Services Web site allows you to search all three county animal shelters by the type of animal, gender of the animal and the time you lost your pet. One of the most popular features on the Web site enables people to view a description and, in most cases, an enlarged digital photo of pets that are lost or available for adoption.

WHEN/WHERE: Saturday, November 13, 2004 at 9:30am at 5480 Gaines Street, Central Shelter

VISUALS: Carolyn Ryba lost her dog Kiwi and was reunited by using the County Department of Animal Services Web site. Ryba will bring her Lab mix to the shelter and will be available to tell her personal story. Kiwi was missing for four days when Ryba saw her picture on the Animal Services Web site.

MORE BACKGROUND: The Web site also contains information on adopting pets, animal shelter locations and hours, rabies vaccinations, dog licensing, spay or neuter surgery, pet care, behavioral tips, volunteer opportunities, animal related laws, and frequently asked questions. The site also includes links to other shelter facilities and animal associated organizations.

The County Department of Animal Services Web site is at www.sddac.com.

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